

# SHARED VISION TOWN HALL

# OUR WATER. OUR FUTURE.

Our Next Challenge:



Ming Our San Juan-Chama Water

## FRIDAY **APRIL 20, 2001**

Allanguerque Convention Center East Wing La Cienaga

Shared Vision, in cooperation with the City of Allanquerque and Bernalillo County cordially invites you to be part of the process of moving forward with implementing our adopted water strategy.

bout half the water pumped from the underground aquifer for Albuquerque residents and businesses is not replaced. To preserve the aquifer and ensure a safe and sustainable water supply, the City is diversifying our water sources and in a few years will begin withdrawing its San Juan-Chama water allocation from the Rio Grande for use as drinking water.

### Purpose:

Involve the community in a dialogue on how to:

- Prepare for the transition from groundwater to river water sources.
- Examine environmental impacts of the preferred withdrawal method.
- Identify potential environmental enhancements.
- Ensure a sustainable, high quality water supply.

#### Process:

- Expert presentations and evaluations of river water collection methods and sites.
- Public input on desired drinking water quality.
- Information about other communities with similar challenges.
- Discusion groups by participants to develop strategies for withdrawing and using the City's San Juan-Chama water.

7:30-8:00 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00-8:15 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions
Brian Burnett, President,
Shared Vision

8:15-8:30 a.m.

by Mayor Jim Baca Brad Winter, President, Albuquerque City Council; Thaddeus Lucero, Division Director, Bernalillo County

8:30-9:45 a.m.

Presentations

"IMPLEMENTING THE WATER STRATEGY" The presentation will educate participants regarding the adopted water strategy, giving history and background on how it was developed, where we are now and what remains to be done.

"WITHDRAWING THE SAN JUAN-CHAMA WATER" The presentation will review the drinking water project, including alternative methods for diversion, purification, and distribution. Reasons for selection of the preferred alternative will be presented.

9:45-10:00 a.m.

Break

10:00-11:30 a.m.

Panel Discussion
"DOING IT RIGHT:
ASSESSING THE
PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE"
A panel of stakeholders will discuss

concerns related to the proposed method of withdrawing the imported San Juan-Chama water. What are some appropriate environmental enhancements? What water quality issues are important in the treatment of drinking water? Are there other alternatives that should be considered and what are the trade-offs?

11:45-1:15 a.m.

"LEARNING FROM OTHER COMMUNITIES"
El Paso has been using Rio Grande surface water for decades; Tucson recently began transitioning from groundwater to river water.
Speakers from El Paso and Tucson will describe their experiences in withdrawing and treating river water, problems that occurred, what measures are being taken now, and how Albuquerque might avoid mistakes and learn from successes.

Lunch Presentations

1:30-3:30 p.m.

#### Facilitated Break-Out Groups

- Groups evaluate pros and cons of the preferred alternative.
- Groups discuss and identify strategies to be incorporated into the preferred alternative: Desired characteristics of water quality.
   Environmental enhancements.
   Relationships to costs and other goals.

3:30-4:15 p.m.

Plenary Session

All groups meet to report out results and consolidate action items.

FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT THE WEBSITE: CABQ.GOV/WATERRESOURCES

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